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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:EFIS, PLOS, NZ, US

SUBJECT:US TUNA VESSEL FISHING WITHIN NZ EEZ

REF: WELLINGTON 1503

1. DEPT HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH STARKIST FOODS, WHICH IS
OWNER OF TUNA SEINER "VOYAGEUR." INITIAL REACTION OF
STARKIST REP WAS THAT COMPANY WAS ANXIOUS TO AVOID CON-
FRONTATION AND THAT EFFORT WOULD BE MADE TO WORK OUT SOME
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AMICABLE SOLUTION. STARKIST REP HAD NOT, HOWEVER, CON-
SULTED WITH FRANK GARGAS WHO IS CAPTAIN AND PART-OWNER
OF "VOYAGEUR". STARKIST REP PROMISED THAT COMPANY AND
VARGAS WOULD REACH DECISION SOON ON HOW THEY ARE GOING TO
PROCEED AND WOULD ADVISE DEPT. ONCE DECISION REACHED.

2. IT WOULD APPEAR TO DEPT. THAT AMICABLE SOLUTION TO

"VOYAGEUR" PROBLEM CAN BE REACHED, PARTICULAR SINCE THIS SEEMS TO BE PREFERRED ROUTE OF BOTH GNZ AND INDUSTRY REPS INVOLVED. IF CHARTER ARRANGEMENT CAN BE WORKED OUT THIS MAY BE MOST DESIRABLE OUTCOME, BUT IF NOT, AND IF GNZ WILLING TO SELL LICENSE, THAN LICENSING ROUTE MIGHT BE SIMPLE SOLUTION. USG DOES NOT OPPOSE PURCHASE OF LICENSES BY US TUNA VESSELS, EVEN THOUGH WE DO NOT RECOGNIZE COASTAL

STATE JURISDICTION OVER TUNA OUT TO 200-MILES. IT IS POSITION OF USG THAT LICENSE PURCHASES ARE STRICTLY A COMMERCIAL DECISION TO BE MADE BY VESSEL OWNERS; USG NEITHER ENCOURAGES NOR DISCOURAGES SUCH PURCHASES.

3. DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING GNZ POLICY RE LICENSE PURCHASES, IN GENERAL. ARE THEY AVAILABLE FOR ANY FOREIGN TUNA VESSEL TO PURCHASE, AND IF SO, WHAT ARE COSTS AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS, OF SUCH LICENSES.

4. DEPT. DOES NOT WISH TO COMPLICATE ISSUE, BUT IT IS UNCLEAR AS TO WHETHER TUNA SEASON REFERRED TO REFTTEL IS A SEASON ESTABLISHED BY GNZ REGULATIONS OR IS SEASON RESULTING FROM MIGRATORY HABITS OF TUNA. PLEASE ADVISE.

5. DEPT BELIEVES IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR EMBASSY TO PASS TO GNZ OFFICIALS INFO PARAS 1 & 2 ABOVE. VANCE

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